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DECEMBER DAYS.

Winds that blow across the snow,
Woods where shadows come and go,
Frozen streams and frozen hedges,
Shivering birds on window ledges;
But within are hearts ashine
With a love and light divine,
Holly wreath and fireside glow
Do a goodly mirth bestow.
Each heart must some joy remember—
These are days of drear December.

Roanoke, Va.

Gracie Gish.

EARLY SPRING FLOWERS.

AFTER THE cold, dreary winter months, the early spring flowers are especially appreciated, and there are none more beautiful or attractive than Hyacinths, Tulips, and Daffodils. These are all bulbous flowers, perfectly hardy, rich in color, and

Late-planted bulbs with such a covering will not bloom as early as those planted earlier, but they will often show more perfect flowers, as the earlier flowers are subject to severe early spring frosts, and sometimes injured.

The beauty of a bed of Hyacinths or Tulips or Daffodils can only be realized by seeing it in full bloom. Hyacinths and Daffodils are fragrant as well as showy, and will make the air redolent with their sweet perfume. The named varieties in Hyacinths and Tulips embrace many showy colors. The prevailing color in Daffodils, however, is yellow, and one of the most showy is the Bicolor Victoria, which has a beautiful big golden trumpet, and a broad cream-white perianth. For beds, it is not surpassed by any other variety, either old or new.

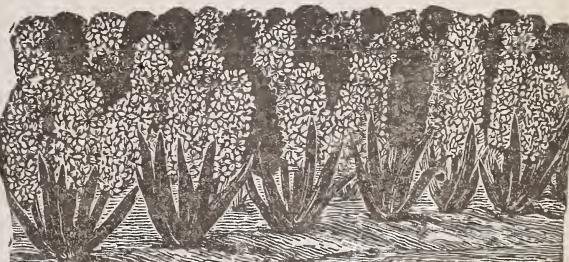
A few dollars spent in these bulbs is always



GROUP OF TULIPS.

sure to bloom if planted anytime before the ground freezes, or anytime before mid-winter, provided some unfrozen soil can be obtained to act as a covering.

Most of those who grow flowers, have already planted their bulbs for spring blooming, but it is not too late to buy and plant these bulbs at the North, if the frozen soil can be removed from some portion of the garden, and enough unfrozen soil excavated to use as a covering. Simply smooth the surface and set the bulbs four inches apart over the surface, then place over them the unfrozen soil to a depth of three or four inches, tread it well, and cover with stable litter or leaves. Do not disturb the covering in the spring until the bulbs are beginning to push through, then a portion of the leaves or litter can be removed, if it interferes with the growth of the plants.



GROUP OF HYACINTHS.

well spent, as they will last for years under favorable conditions, and afford much pleasure at a time when flowers are scarce and highly prized. The little illustrations show Tulips and Hyacinths in groups.

Pink Crape Myrtle.—This is a beautiful shrub, hardy as far north as Washington, if grown in a sheltered situation. Further south it is entirely hardy, and blooms very freely during the summer. It thrives in a rich, sandy soil in full exposure to the sun, and under such conditions in the South it never fails to bloom freely. At the North it must be grown in pots, and should be kept well watered while growing, but rather dry and always in full sunshine after the growth is complete, and the wood is ripening. See that the soil is porous and well-drained.

PAEONIES NOT BLOOMING.

A VERY FREQUENT inquiry is, "Why do my Paeonies fail to bloom? I have had them for a number of years, growing in good soil and full sunshine, but they have not produced a flower." As a rule, the trouble is with the soil, which is not in condition to develop buds and flowers. Usually a sandy or gravelly soil tends to promote free flowering in any plant. When the soil is tenacious and poorly drained, it becomes soggy and charged with acid, and this, invariably, prevents flowering in many plants. To bring the soil into a healthy condition for flowering plants, there is nothing to be applied that is equal to quick lime or fresh slacked lime, stirred into the surface. This as an alkali will neutralize any acid that may be present, will convert certain deleterious forms of alkali into another form, and aerate the soil, making it lighter and more porous. In many cases, the application of lime will be all that the soil needs for the proper development of plants. Sometimes, however, there is a lack of other elements which are necessary for blooming plants, and this is supplied by an application of bone-dust or phosphate of some description. This supplies phosphorous to the soil, which is necessary for early and free blooming. Where the soil is tenacious, an application of coal ashes or sand, thoroughly incorporated with the surface soil, will be found of benefit.

These hints are given to those who have Paeonies or other plants that do not bloom satisfactorily, in order that they may decide what is necessary for their plants, and adopt the means which will be most suitable for the condition of the soil.

Dahlias from Cuttings.—To grow Dahlias from cuttings put the roots in a box of soil early in spring, and as soon as the sprouts are long enough take them off and insert in sand. The young sprouts are not hollow at the ground. The more you cut off, the more cuttings you will have, as several shoots sprout up where one is taken. If allowed to push up until the cutting is hollow the plant is of little value, even if roots do form at the joint.

Vallota Purpurea.—These are evergreen greenhouse bulbous plants, and should never be taken out of the soil and dried off completely if it can be avoided. In winter water sparingly, but not to such an extent as to injure the foliage or roots. In order to bloom well, water must be given sparingly until the bulbs ripen. If the watering is continued freely the bulbs rarely bloom.

Night-blooming Cereus.—The true Night-blooming Cereus is a climbing Cactus, the stems cylindrical, about five-ribbed, with fascicles of spines on the ridges. The petals are spreading, pearl-white, with yellow sepals. It is a native of Mexico.

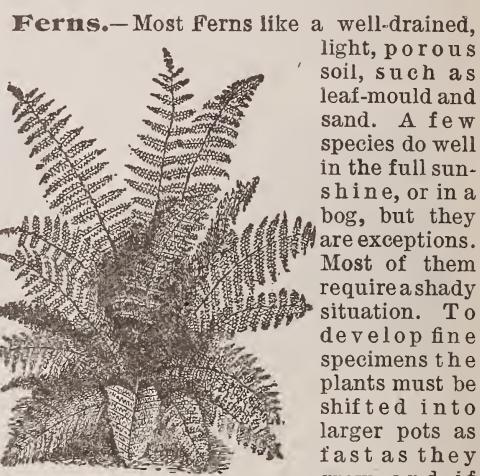
TECOMA RADICANS.

TECCOMA RADICANS, sometimes known as Bignonia radicans or Trumpet Creeper, is a hardy vine, blooming throughout the summer and autumn, the flowers being trumpet-like, of a brownish red color, and borne in large clusters. They are succeeded by huge, bean-like seed vessels or pods, which remain throughout the winter, swinging and rattling in the winter breeze. The foliage is pinnate and dense, and of a rich green; and the flowers, borne at the tip of the branches, are rendered more attractive by the foliage background. The plant can be trained to a wall or building or provided with a trellis.

Or, it can be trained to a post to the height of ten or fifteen feet, when the top will form a tree-like head, the branches drooping, giving it a weeping character. It is of easy culture, and will thrive in sunshine or partial shade. Young plants are readily started from cuttings, either from the tops or roots, and from seeds, which are freely produced. It is a hardy vine that deserves to be better known.



TECOMA RADICANS.



Ferns.—Most Ferns like a well-drained, light, porous soil, such as leaf-mould and sand. A few species do well in the full sun-shine, or in a bog, but they are exceptions. Most of them require a shady situation. To develop fine specimens the plants must be shifted into larger pots as fast as they grow, and if

watered occasionally with weak manure water or with water to which a teaspoonful of spirits of ammonia has been added to each two gallons the plants will be benefited.

Grape Fruit.—Like the Orange the Grape Fruit tree grown from a seed will not bloom or bear fruit for ten or twelve years after starting. In Florida the trees are all grown by budding with choice varieties. There is a vast difference in the productiveness of trees, as well as in the quality of the fruits. It is better and cheaper to get buds from good bearing trees and insert in a seedling stock than to wait for years and then have fruit of inferior quality.

BERBERIS THUNBERGII.

THROUGHOUT THE summer Berberis Thunbergii is a stately plant, whether growing alone or in a group or hedge. It branches profusely and is a dense mass of foliage. In the spring, the branches are covered with innumerable greenish, yellow flowers, and in the autumn scarlet fruit appears in profusion upon the slender, thorny branches, as indicated in the little sketch.

The plants hold their foliage until after severe frosts, and the foliage changes to a glowing flame-color and remains so for a week or more, during the early part of November. This color continuing late in the season, even after the Chrysanthemums have been injured by frost, is a desirable merit of the plant. By the first of December the plants have dropped their foliage, and the scarlet fruit is revealed, which is lasting, as it is held throughout the winter.

As a hedge plant it is unsurpassed, its growth being very compact, and the slender, thorny branches interwoven so thoroughly that nothing can pass it. It is also desirable as a nesting place for the smaller song birds, the dense, thorny character of the plant forbidding the access of cats and other enemies.

The plants are readily grown from seeds, which should be sown in the fall or in early spring. They germinate tardily, and if sown in the spring, the plants make but little growth the first year. As a hedge plant they can be set a foot apart, the growth being somewhat horizontal and dense. It requires but little trimming. It is perfectly hardy, and is, probably, the most desirable ornamental hedge plant in cultivation today.

Fungus.—When plants are troubled with a fungus the best remedy is to gather and burn the diseased foliage or branches, and spray the remaining parts with Bordeaux mixture. This is the best material that can be used to eradicate fungus. Several applications will prove effectual. It can be applied with a syringe to Clematis, Hydrangea, Phlox, Lilies, and the like, and I have never heard of it doing even the least harm to the affected plants.

Kudzu Vine.—This vine is valued for its rapid growth and dense foliage. It is more likely to bloom in a poor soil and sunny situation, but when it does bloom the flowers are not prized, as they are inconspicuous. The plants are easily raised from seeds, and quite hardy. The vines can be cut and removed as soon as frost comes, before the leaves drop, and you thus get rid of the litter they make when the foliage is allowed to drop.



BERBERIS THUNBERGII.

LATE PLANTING OF BULBS.

THE DUTCH bulbs, such as Hyacinths, Tulips, Narcissus and Daffodils, can be planted with safety anytime before the ground freezes, as they are perfectly hardy. The bulbs should be set four inches deep, the soil well firmed after planting, and covered with stable litter. This protection will keep the soil from freezing severely until the bulbs are well started. It will also prevent their early growth, and consequent injury from spring frosts.

I am sometimes asked what to do with bulbs that arrive after the ground is frozen permanently for the winter. The best thing to do is to smooth off the ground and level it sufficiently to set the bulbs. Place them upon the surface of the frozen soil, then remove the frozen soil from another place and excavate unfrozen soil with which to cover the bulbs. After covering them three or four inches with this loose soil, tread it firmly and cover all with stable litter. Bulbs thus planted will bloom later in the season than those planted earlier and in the usual way. They will bloom well, and prove almost, if not altogether as satisfactory as by planting earlier in the usual way. These bulbs may be frozen stiff during winter without injury. Indeed, when planted out at the North, the soil and the bulbs will invariably be frozen stiff during winter, but Nature has given them a constitution to endure the action of the most severe frosts, and hence they can be planted with confidence as long as a covering can be provided.

Propagating Clematis paniculata.—This Clematis can be propagated from cuttings taken from the green vine during summer. It can also be layered. The most common method of increasing the stock, however, is by seeds. Gather them as soon as ripe, or just before winter sets in, place with moist sand in alternate layers in a box, and keep in a cool but frost-proof room till spring. Then sow them, and almost every seed will make a plant. The seeds will germinate if allowed to dry out, but will be tardy about it. This Clematis is perfectly hardy, and is a vigorous grower and profuse bloomer. It is one of the best of the small-flowered autumn-blooming Clematises, and well deserves its popularity.

Fancy Geranium.—The Lady Washington Geranium (*Pelargonium*) grown from seed will bloom when a year old, if given a rather sandy soil and sunny place in summer. Non-blooming is not due to isolation, and another plant nearby would not have any influence in promoting the development of buds and flowers.

In Massachusetts.—Spireas, Anthony Waterer and Van Houtte, and *Hydrangea paniculata* are all hardy in Massachusetts. Spanish Iris will prove hardy there in a sandy, well-drained soil, with a little protection.

FLOWER BEGGARS.

"Give love, and love to your heart will flow,
A strength for your utmost need.
Have faith, and a score of hearts will show
Their faith in your word and deed."

IN LOOKING through recent copies of our beloved Magazine I see some complaining of flower beggars. While I know they are sometimes very annoying, I fear we do not altogether appreciate our own blessings in having something to give. Dear sister flower lovers, I call vividly to mind the days of my early childhood. While my dear mother loved flowers and grew some, we lived in a rented house and could not raise Pinks, Pansies and Peonies very well. We went on a visit to my Grandma's, fifty miles above Cincinnati, and my dear Grandma lived on a big farm, with a big orchard and lots of cows, calves, bees, chickens, etc., but best of all, to me—a lovely lot of flowers, Lilacs, Sweet Currants, Red "Pinies", Columbines, Grass Pinks, etc. Grandma would say "Don't touch them, dear," as I followed very carefully behind her lest my little bobbed-off dress might hurt them. I was not allowed to ask for such things, but



OLD-FASHIONED "PINIES."

I was taught in Sunday School to go to God in prayer, to "ask in faith, believing, and ye shall receive." I can yet remember the girl's sweet face that taught me, but I have forgotten her name. Oh, how my little heart did long for only one of those big lovely red "Pinies." I asked my mother, but she said "No, you must not beg." So I prayed. Every time I saw them I prayed. It didn't look as though I would get even one, for awhile. But one night it rained and blowed, and next morning I followed Grandma out to the garden, as usual, to look at the red "Pinies," and lo, one was broken off with a nice long stem, and had fallen on the bed of Grass Pinks, nice and clean. Grandma picked it up, and turning to me, said "Here, 'Tude," and gave it to me. I can't tell you how happy I was. Didn't God answer my prayer? Didn't that strengthen my faith? Oh, my! I resolved right then and there to grow "Pinies" when I grew to be a

big lady like Grandma, and to give them to little girls. Now, I am fifty years old and live on a farm. I have Lilacs, Clove Pinks, Columbines, Pansies and "Pinies," red, white and pink, besides some nice young plants of choice named varieties. I never let them bloom and drop off, if any one comes who loves flowers.

"Tude."

Wheatland, Ind., Sept. 14, 1911.

DOUBLE PETUNIA.

THE PAST SEASON, owing to the climatic influences, nearly everything was a failure. When March came my hardy bulbs and Roses were alive, as were quantities of Pansies, Sweet Williams, Canterbury Bells, Foxgloves, and other perennial plants raised from seed the previous year. But March was a tedious month, freezing and thawing, raining, sunshine, ice and sleet, and nearly every plant perished. Nine varieties of new choice Lilies, set two years previous, never showed themselves. Oh, it was enough to make a flower lover tear her hair in wild despair. Then followed a long, dreary spell of drouth, and as our farm is naturally dry, and my garden on a side hill, you can imagine the result. Every Geranium and other plants set in pots, boxes, etc., positively refused to grow, in spite of faithful care and watering.

DOUBLE PETUNIA.



But among all these failures I can record one satisfactory plant, which grew and bloomed in profusion, when nothing else did—a beautiful crimson and white double Petunia. It was a small plant, grown from a slip the previous year, set in a big box on a stump, with four Ivy Geraniums. One by one the Geraniums faded away and died, but the Petunia soon filled the box and was the admiration of everyone. Slips galore were taken from it, but it never minded—only grew the faster. I can heartily recommend it as a plant for everyone and for any condition. I only wish we could raise double ones from seed as readily as from slips.

Mrs. E. Murray.

Saratogo Co., N. Y., Oct. 31, 1911.

Trailing Lantana.—Those who try the trailing Lantana will be more than pleased with it. Young plants are easily rooted from cuttings, and a well-established plant will bloom almost continuously. After blooming all summer, it will continue to show a few clusters throughout the winter, even under the most adverse conditions. The foliage has a pleasing aromatic odor, and the blooms are very fragrant and of an unusual shade of lilac, with a white eye. Mrs. J.J. Matheson.

Marlboro Co., S. C., Sept. 19, 1911.

EXPERIMENTING WITH COPPERAS.

I READ somewhere that copperas in table-spoonful doses, applied to the soil, would cure foliage diseases of Geraniums, and hasten growth. As my choice plants seemed affected with yellowing foliage, I applied the copperas, a half teaspoonful stirred into the soil of each, and then gave water and set them in dense shade. In less

PILE OF COPPERAS.

than an hour every plant was wilted until they looked perfectly worthless. A few hours later stems, leaves and bracts were entirely black, and were beginning to drop off. I hastily repotted the pitiable looking plants the same day, and managed to save the younger ones, but the large ones were beyond aid. Those that lived are now beautiful specimens, budding for bloom, but I'll never again try a mineral remedy on my precious plants.

N. Longest.

Muhlenburg Co., Ky., Sept. 26, 1911.

Primula Obconica.—A plant that gave me much pleasure was a pink Obconica, condemned to death and rescued from the hands of a friend. The plant was isolated, the brown leaves cut off and burned, tobacco spread over the soil, and kerosine emulsion sprayed upon the foliage. Before spring there were fourteen trusses of bloom on the little plant. It lived for many years, and was a joy and delight each winter.

L. D. Smith.

Addison Co., Vt., Oct. 26, 1911.

To Revive Frozen Plants.—When I have frozen plants, I just take them out of the window, place them in a box, and put a can or small bucket of cold water into the box with them, covering tightly for several days. I replace with fresh water every night and morning. I have lost no plants treated in this way. I have saved plants that were frozen quite hard.

Mrs. C. C. Highland.

Thomas Co., Kansas.

Cactus Buds Dropping.—If any of the sisters are troubled with the buds dropping from their Cactus plants, they will mostly find it due to over-feeding or over-watering. Cactuses like a rather dry, poor soil, and a warm, sunny situation.

Mrs. F. Wiberg.

Chisago Co., Minn., Nov. 12, 1911.

Hollyhock-flowered Ten-weeks Stock.—I had a bed of this fine annual this season, and it was great. They were tall spikes of blossoms, very large and double, richly scented, and showing a wonderful variety of colors. Some of the plants are still in bloom.

A Subscriber.

Marion Co., Oreg., Nov. 3, 1911.

MY CACTUSES.

ABOUT four years ago I bought an *Opuntia variegata*, but I can't get it into the notion of blooming. The plant is very large. One leaf on it is 12 inches long. Last summer I had to put it into a larger pot.

I hope it will bloom next season.

My Living Rock Cactus has three buds coming, and one will soon open. I have a great admiration for the Cactus family. I do think that Mother Nature, backed by the Universal Father of

all things, did a grand thing in creating the Cactus family. I have thirty kinds, and a few grafted ones, and I love everyone of them. I have a seedling I am watching closely. It is two inches tall and slender, but looks as though it was developing as many hairs as my Old Man Cactus.

Cleburne Co., Ala., Oct. 27, 1911. J.D.M.B.

Note.—There is a specimen of *Opuntia variegata* in the editor's greenhouse that is eight feet high and branched out like a tree. It is growing in a two-gallon bucket upon the greenhouse bench. It has not been disturbed for several years, and the roots have come through the drainage holes and spread over the floor of the bench. This plant is not fertilized, and is much neglected, yet it grows well and never fails to give a crop of the big yellow, semi-double flowers every season.—Ed.

Hardy Carnations.—I raised a long border of Hardy Carnations this year, and no flower in my garden gave so much pleasure. The plants were started in my little greenhouse, and transplanted in May. They commenced blossoming the first of August—large, fragrant blossoms, of all colors, even a clear yellow. The plants were a solid row of buds and blossoms, nearly as large as the largest greenhouse Carnations, and continued to bloom until cut down by severe freezing. I lifted some for the greenhouse. The rest will be well mulched on the sides with leaves, but not covered, and I expect even better flowers next spring.

Pearl.

Boulder Co., Colo., Nov. 3, 1911.

Zinnias.—We have a large space allotted to Zinnias, and they always repay. We have white, cream, and all the pale shades of pink, lilac, tan, and then the scarlet and garnet reds. Some of the flowers are as grand as the finest Dahlias, and last so much longer.

Regina R. Bowman.

Guilford Co., N. C., Sept. 26, 1911.

THE MOON OF CHRYSANTHEMUMS.

ALL Southern California is a great flower garden, and every Southern Californian seems as devoted to flower raising as his neighbor. The Mexicans most of all love flowers, for in the most humble yard you will see one or two flower faces looking up at you, and the most savage desperado-looking Mexican will carry a flower carefully in his fingers as he goes along the street.

No little town is too small for its flower shows, generally one in spring and one in November, the moon of Chrysanthemums, as we call it. Nowhere do they grow them to such perfection as here, from the 600 varieties which the professional florists displayed at

little brown men and their nation a debt of gratitude for giving us our Moon of Chrysanthemums. You to whom November is bleak, raw and chill out of doors, can appreciate what it means to have this desolate month turned into a floral ecstasy. November, however, is an ideal month with us. The days are warm, languorous, hazy, yet freshened by the fall rains; the nights are invigorating and sparkling; the brown vales and mountain sides turning green with wild flowers and grasses; and the door yards gorgeous with Chrysanthemums, Lilies, Cosmos, Dahlias and Roses.

The Japanese have an art of flower arrangement called Ikebana. They arrange flowers in threes, fives, or sevens; and never two stems of the same length. Try Ikebana, and



AUTUMN CHRYSANTHEMUMS.

Pasadena, to the half dozen varieties raised by amateurs and displayed in a little town of 600. Small towns are numerous. From my home I can drive to fifteen towns ranging from 600 to 2500, in as many different directions, in a drive of a day or two. Orange groves and flowers and fruits are in all directions, all connected by splendid, smooth boulevards. And where people live among flowers as we do, we develop a happy, smiling disposition. Try to feel grouchy when looking at the heart of a Rose. You can not do it.

The Japanese are of course devoted to the Mums; not that they raise the huge show ones in their door yards, but they can always be relied upon to have very choice and handsome ones beside the veriest shack. The Japanese florists raise the show ones, and we owe these

see how it improves your vase. It is especially effective with Roses, Narcissus, or Daffodils. But with Chrysanthemums nothing is more effective than one blossom on a long stalk in a plain vase.

Georgina S. Townsend.
Glendora, Cal., Nov. 6, 1911.

Vinca Variegata.—One autumn a small plant of Vinca variegata was given me, and by April 1st there were six branches a yard long, and some short ones. It was a beautiful and cheery plant. It was an ideal plant for the sick-room, where its rapid growth and odd habits helped both invalid and nurse over many a tiresome moment.

L. D. Smith.

Addison Co., Vt., Oct. 26, 1911.

THE STORY OF MISTLETOE.

LEAST BEAUTIFUL, perhaps, of all the Christmas greens, the Mistletoe still holds a place peculiarly its own among the decorations of the season. Song and story have invested its unpretentious dull green leaves and its pearl-like berries with a glamour that is more appealing than the glory of the burnished Holly leaves and its glow of scarlet fruit, and, although the wreaths of Holly may brighten the windows at Christmas time, and the Trailing Smilax make graceful festoons over pictures and mirrors, the Mistletoe still holds first place.

The stiff little bunches that are sold in the city markets give little idea of the real appearance of the Mistletoe as it was gathered from its parent tree, where it had found a home, after its first embryo leaves shot out from the seedling dropped in some convenient cranny of the bark, by the birds of the air. The parasite (for Mistletoe is a parasite) loves apple and pear trees, and once it gains a foothold will sap the life from the tree; but it is oftenest found in hardy oaks, where it grows in stout bunches, all gemmed over with the pretty berries. It is cosmopolitan in its habit, growing luxuriantly all through the South, abundant in Florida, and yet equally so in England and the Scandinavian countries.

It has long held a place in literature. School children learn of it first in connection with Druidical worship, and it figures prominently in Christmas stories every year. One of the oldest of the stories about Mistletoe is in a Norse legend about Balder the Good. Balder had been very much troubled by foreboding and impending death, and his brother gods assembled to avert the danger by exacting promises from all the elements, from the diseases, the poisons and the trees, that no one of them would do harm to Balder. After this they would amuse themselves by hurling things at Balder, and he was delighted to show them how free he was from danger.

He had an enemy, however, who was jealous of the mystical power which protected him, and one day his enemy set out to find out from the goddess Frigga the reason of all this. She told him that all things except one, a little shrub that grew on the eastern side of Valhalla, and which was too young and feeble to be noticed, had promised to spare Balder the Good. The enemy, Loki, upon hearing this, went at once, and cut off the Mistletoe, and when next the gods assembled for their customary play, Loki, the treacherous, placed the arrow he had fashioned from the Mistletoe in the hand of a blind man, who could not know what it was, directed his arm for him, and Balder the Good fell, pierced through and through.

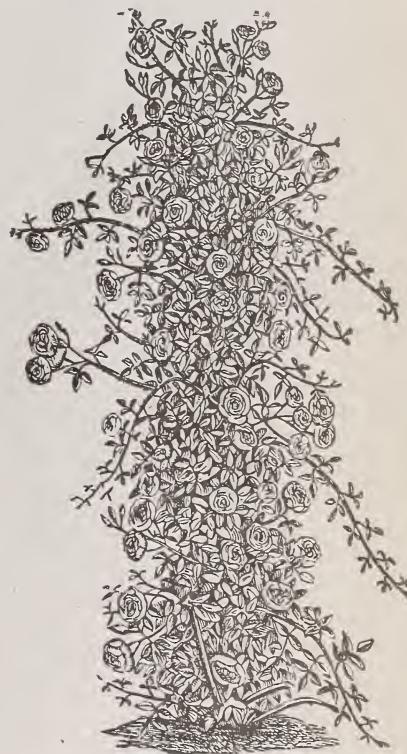
Chas. E. Cougill.

Licking Co., O., Nov. 3, 1911.

For Mites.—We have found slug-sh~~o~~ good for black mites on Pansies. L. M. H.
Dorchester Centre, Mass., Oct. 11, 1911.

ROSES IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

IN THE Piedmont Belt of South Carolina both the Noisette and Climbing Tea, and naturally the other climbing Roses, are a great success. Reine Marie Henriette, beautiful cherry crimson; Fortune's Double Yellow; W. A. Richardson, copper-yellow turning to white as the weather gets warmer Zelia Pradelle, white with yellow heart, very full; La Marque, similar to the last named, but larger and not so full; Pillar of Gold, opening pink and becoming a blend of pink and yellow as the flower develops; Gloire de Dijon, a yellowish color hard to describe—all flourish luxuriantly here. Nor would I exclude the lovely yellow Marechal Niel and Sol-faterre.



A CLIMBING ROSE.

We have had a new test in regard to severe pruning of strong-growing Rose vines. Last spring the fence separating our garden from the chicken yard had to be repaired, and the three vines, Else Beauvillau, Gloire de Dijon and La Marque, which had been growing upon it for fifteen years, were severely pruned. As soon as the sap began to rise you could see young shoots budding out all over the three vines. It was certainly gratifying to me. This experience is valuable to people who grow Roses in this section, but I do not know in the North.

A. H. Donaldson.

Greenville Co., S. C.

SALVIA.

THE HANDSOMEST thing I saw this last summer was a large round bed of Salvia in a corner of a little front yard, belonging to some dear friends of mine, who live in West Sand Lake. It was like a sheet of scarlet flame, so brilliant it fairly dazzled the eyes. The bed in spring was gay with Tulips. Then these Salvia plants were raised in a hot-bed, and set out, after the Tulips were through. This same front yard was



PLANT OF SALVIA.

small, but oh, the flowers that this elderly gentleman and his wife grew in it—two long rows against his house and the one adjoining, of Tuberous Begonias—some perfect marvels of size, color, and bloom. I saw nothing at the State Fair to equal them. There was hardly a flower, it seemed to me, that was not growing in that little yard, and grass, too, a tiny lawn. *Multum in parvo*, was all I could think of.

Mrs. E. Murray.

Saratoga Co., N. Y., Oct. 31, 1911.

American Beauty Rose.—Last fall, from a bouquet a neighbor brought me, I got a little twig of American Beauty Rose and put it in rich, sandy soil, then covered it with a glass fruit jar. It was very small, but during the months of March and April it grew and nearly filled the jar. On May first I removed the jar, and the plant has bloomed at intervals throughout the summer, some of the flowers being exceedingly large and handsome. It has now some fine buds developing.

Regina R. Bowman.

Guilford Co., N. C., Sept. 26, 1911.

Ashes for Lilies.—A lady of my acquaintance has grown Madonna Lilies for many years, with great success. They always bloom freely. She treats them to a dressing of wood ashes every fall. This may be of interest to those whose Lilies only grow a few inches, and then die.

Mrs. Smith.

Sangamon Co., Ill., Oct. 16, 1911.

IN THE BLACK FOREST.

MY BOYHOOD was spent in Germany, where I was born, and I spent much time in the south end of the Black Forest outside of my school hours. On entering the forest you notice a profound stillness, save the notes of the "Kokok," which can be heard at a great distance, and the pecking of some Woodpecker upon a dead limb, and cooing of a wild pigeon. You can see squirrels skipping from tree to tree; get occasional glimpses of a group of deer, or awaken some rabbit from his morning nap. At day-break or in the evening you become spell-bound by the concert of the Nightingale, the Thrush, and the Ansel, a coal-black bird the size of our Robin, with yellow beak and legs. You also find berries in abundance, and Lily of the Valley which perfume the air with their wealth of bloom. Some trees are covered with an evergreen Ivy to the height of forty or fifty feet. Often this Ivy is gathered to decorate churches, or for some bridal party. There are also lots of hazelnuts in season. I have memories of my trips through these great woods in company with my brothers, and the thought of them brings up many hallowed experiences and associations.

August Lebrecht.

Rensselaer Co., N. Y., Oct. 27, 1911.

Coxcomb.—I have a Coxcomb which is the wonder and admiration of everybody. The stalk is two feet high and over an inch thick, with large leaves at the bottom, and smooth with red spots up to the plume, which measures fourteen inches across every way, and is so fluted and crimped, that, together with the crimson color, it is dazzling to the eye. It looks like an immense bouquet, minus the different colors. Who can beat it?

C. Ehrisman.

St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 24, 1911.



Peachblow Hibiscus.—Several years ago I got a Peachblow Hibiscus, as I always like to try something new. It was certainly a fine window plant. The flowers, a lovely pink color with red centre, double, as large as a tea-cup, and very freely produced. In this part of the country no person had ever seen anything like it. A friend got a plant at the same time, and was equally successful. Several weeks ago we counted over fifty buds and blossoms on it. It is in a wooden bucket, and bedded out in summer. Mrs. N. Raygot.

Westmoreland Co., Pa., Oct. 31, 1911.

Trailing Dahlia.—I have a pink Dahlia that always seeks the ground, even when tied to a stake, and I conclude it is of trailing habit.

Mrs. T. J. Robinson.

Meriwether Co., Ga., Oct. 2, 1911.

KOCHIA SCOPARIA.

FOR TEMPORARY hedges, backgrounds, etc., or for specimen plants in ornamental gardening for quick results, I have found nothing to equal the Kochia. It is hardy, and may be sown early, and once sown it grows with rapidity, soon forming a beautiful ball of foliage, closely resembling a clipped evergreen. It is close and compact, making it ideal for hedges, and it has the advantage of being easily grown in any soil or position, so that it comes in very handy for filling breaks in the border, where other plants either will not grow or grow too slowly.

Another use for it is found in the miniature or "Japanese" style of gardening, where it serves nicely to represent trees. A beautiful miniature garden may be made with Kochia and a few very dwarf plants, a miniature bridge, and a toy cottage. On a plot ten feet square, one can thus create a scene as beautiful as a park, and even more interesting.

Kochia grows about three feet high for me, and if it is given room, forms a symmetrical bush eighteen inches in diameter. The leaves are of a pleasing light green in summer, changing to a vivid scarlet in autumn, which enhances its value for decorative work, especially for "miniature" gardening, where it is used to imitate trees.

It is sometimes called "Fire Plant," "Burning Bush," "Mock Cypress," etc., but by any name it is worthy of a trial.

Morrison, Tenn.

Jas. M. Bonner.

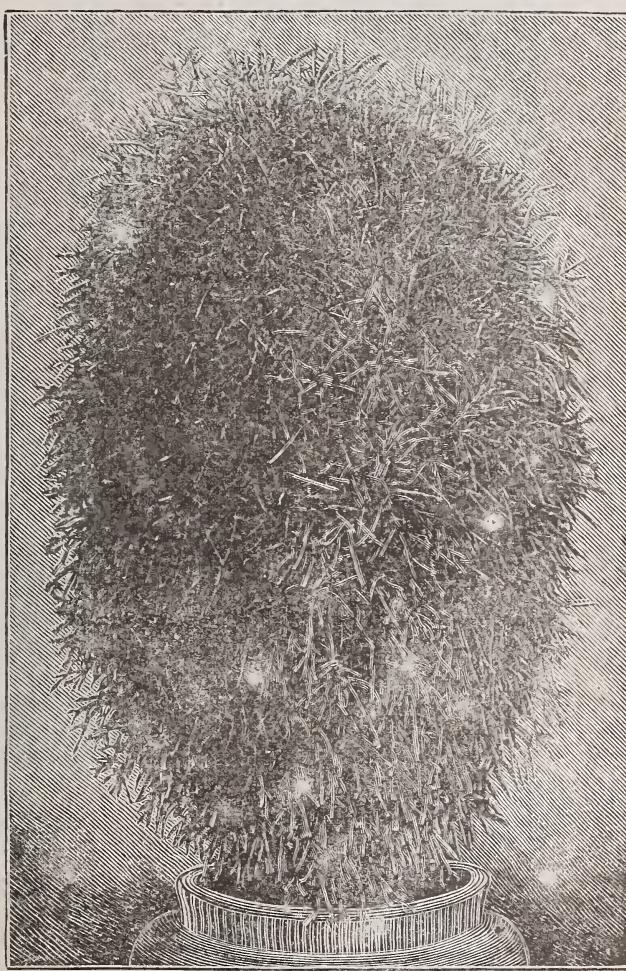
ASTERS.

MANY PEOPLE have given up raising Asters because of the root disease that cuts them down just as they are ready to bloom. I do not know that my remedy is a sure one, but it was a success with me this year. I use a liberal dressing of slacked lime and sulphur in the soil. I know my Asters were beautiful, the admiration of all who passed by. Just at blooming time my husband gave a weekly application of liquid manure. The lime and sulphur are also beneficial to Sweet Peas.

Pearl.

Boulder Co., Colo., Nov. 3, 1911.

Note.—It is common for Asters to be troubled at the root with plant lice. An application of lime is always beneficial in eradicating the pest, as well as in bringing the soil into good condition for the development of the plants and flowers.—Ed



KOCHIA SCOPARIA.

Double Daisies.—I raise the Double Daisy, *Bellis perennis*. The plants begin to bloom in February, and are a mass of red and pink flowers all summer. My pink ones are in bloom now. They make an excellent border for walks and planted along at the roots of a scrappy Oak tree they are

showy, their mass of bright green short foliage being decorated with the attractively colored flowers borne on big stems. My flowers are as large as a silver half dollar, and quite double.

N. L.

Marion Co., Oreg., Nov. 3, 1911.

A Good Rose.—The James Sprunt Rose is a very vigorous climber. It is a beautiful red Rose, and a great bloomer. E.R.S.

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SANTA FOUND OUT.

Ha ha! ha ha! you can't fool me;
I know who Santa is.
For I lay wake the whole night long
And solved the little quiz.
I wondered why my Mama put
Us kids to bed at eight,
While she stayed up, a working 'round,
Till it was very late.
So, with my eyelids almost closed,
I kept awake, ha ha!
And waited for old Santa Claus,
And found it was my Ma.
St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 2, 1911. Albert E. Vassar.

QUESTION AND ANSWER.

Passion Vine.—Mr. Park: I have a Passion Vine fifteen or sixteen feet long. It is three years old and no blossoms. Will it do to cut it shorter, and would it be likely to live in the cellar, where Oleanders do nicely?—A.S., S. Lee, N.H.

Ans.—The common species of Passion Vine can be cut to the ground in autumn without injury, and should winter safely in any place that suits Oleander.

Bonemeal.—Mr. Park: I have some small Rose bushes one year old last spring, and have had bonemeal recommended for them. How much should I put around those in the ground, and how much in a pot?

Ans.—A heaped tablespoonful would be enough bonemeal for a yearling Rose in a four-inch pot, and two or three tablespoonfuls for one small out-door Rose.

Name of Plant.—Mr. Park: I would like to have you tell me the name of a plant, which has strap-like leaves about one foot high that remain green through the year. It is planted in the garden, but has not bloomed yet. The root is something like a Peony root. It is tan color on the outside and white inside. The leaves have what I call a raveling on each edge.—Mrs. L. M. Prink, Waupaca, Wis.

Ans.—The plant is doubtless of *Yucca filamentosa*, a perfectly hardy plant that bears a tall, branching stalk of drooping bell-like white flowers in summer. It can be grown from seeds or root cuttings.

Strawflower.—Mr. Park: I enclose a flower for name. It is called Strawflower, but I wish the catalogue name. I have yellow, red, pink and brown. They make up into beautiful bouquets. Is it not one of the Everlastings?—Mrs. N. Fall River, Mass., Oct. 17, 1911.

Ans.—The flower enclosed was of *Helichrysum monstrosum* f. pl. It is one of the best of the Everlastings, and if the flowers are cut just before they open and hung up in the shade they will dry with their bright and varied colors fully retained. The plants grow two feet high, and are easily started from seeds.

Ageratum.—Mr. Park: I have a hardy Ageratum, color white, that is much admired. I have been asked for slips. Is there any way to get them without tearing up the roots?—Mrs. N., Fall River, Mass., Oct. 17, 1911.

Ans.—The plant referred to is probably *Eupatorium* *ageratoides*, an autumn-blooming plant that blooms well in a shady place, becoming a mass of white flowers in September. Cuttings may be taken in the summer, or the plant can be allowed to bear seeds, from which young plants can readily be raised.

Tobacco.—Mr. Park: Will fine cut tobacco have the same effect on top of pots as Tobacco stems? Will snuff sprinkled on plants to kill insects do any good or will it injure them? Both can be procured at the village store.—A. S., So. Lee, N. H.

Ans.—Both fine cut tobacco and snuff are effective insecticides, and can be used to sprinkle upon the infested plants, or to place over the soil in the pots. These forms of tobacco are both very poisonous, and will destroy any living creature but a man or woman, and they not only befoul those, but eventually destroy them if the habit is freely and persistently indulged in. The fumes of fine cut tobacco and snuff are also destructive to insects, as well as a tea made from them. The tobacco essence, nicotine, is so poisonous that a single drop of it will kill a dog. Perhaps the best use for tobacco, besides killing insects, is dyeing the chin whiskers and corners of the mouth, and imparting that beautiful (?) dark shade to the teeth.

CHILDREN'S CORNER.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a girl of 13 and live on a farm of 160 acres. I go to school, and am in the seventh grade. I love flowers and birds, and have taken your Magazine for three years. I find it very interesting. Postals exchanged.

Bessie Sebring.

Chaffee Co., Colo., Oct. 28, 1911.

Dear Mr. Park:—I live on a farm of 55 acres, and go to school every day. These are my pets: one white rabbit and one puppy. I have no cats, for they killed our song birds, and we got rid of them.

Mabel Gibson.

Jefferson Co., Ohio, Oct. 28, 1911.

Dear Mr. Park:—We have not been taking your Magazine long, but like it fine. Mamma and I always see which can get it first. We live on a farm of 400 acres, and dearly love flowers. We are adding to our collection every year. We are also fond of birds, except the English Sparrows, which do not sing and are a nuisance.

Fayette Co., Ia., Sept. 13, 1911. Flora Weltse.

CORRESPONDENCE.

From West Virginia.—Mr. Park:—It seems to me that there is something wrong with the woman who loves and raises birds, flowers and cats, yet can almost wish boys off the earth. It is all very well to wish guns off the earth, though I think even they are good in their place; but what would this world be with no boys? Just think how we would miss their merry chatter and joyful whistle; surely it is as sweet as a bird's song. Their rosy cheeks are as beautiful as any flower, and surely they are more interesting than a long-haired cat. If our complaining friend would take the care in training even her neighbors' boys, and in gaining their love and respect, that she does in caring for the cats and birds, I think she would find them just as easy to teach, and almost, if not quite as lovable and interesting. I live where the boys of the neighborhood gather to talk and play nearly every night, also Sundays and holidays, and since I told them kindly that I feed and tame the birds, not one of them would throw a stone or shoot one. It is not unusual to see twelve or fifteen boys lying under the trees in my front yard, yet I never saw one pick a flower or harm a bird. There is not one of these boys who is not my staunch friend, and I find much in them to admire and interest, and even to instruct me. Take care that they do not kill the birds just out of revenge for some unkindness they have suffered. Remember, boys are just young men, and should be treated as such. They are just as tender-hearted and as loyal as their sisters, if reared that way. Give a boy a bird-house, teach him where to put it, then give him a piece of cake or biscuit and string, tell him to hang it by the bird-house; and just see how he will watch and guard any birds that gather there. Teach him to make pets of them, and there will be no more trouble. Teach your own boys first, then your neighbors', and see the good work spread.

Orpha.
Fayette Co., W. Va., Oct. 13, 1911.

From Massachusetts.—Dear Mr. Park:—I heartily endorse your stand against tobacco, of which beer and intoxicants are boon companions. The tobacco habit is dirty and injurious, and indulged in because it is thought to be fashionable. If so-called gentlemen should subject others to anything else so obnoxious and poisonous as tobacco smoke they would be hooted out of company. But everything goes with those subjects of the evil habit who are narrow-minded devotees of "fashion." * * I have been much pleased and interested in the poetry on "Why Leave the Farm?" I have lived on a farm, and have seen both sides—those who had plenty and those who hadn't. I think Mrs. W. J. Fell, of West Virginia, has the right view of farming.

H. F. Fletcher.

Middlesex Co., Mass., Oct. 20, 1911.

Lilies.—H. Strode, Oakesdale, Wash., would like to communicate with those who make a specialty of Lilies.

AUTUMN.

O! glorious autumn, with thy beauties rare,
What season can with thee compare?
The trees all decked in colors gay.
The birds fast speeding on their southward way.
The squirrels gathering nuts in store.
Tell us summer is no more.
The Pumpkin with its yellow face
Will soon the Thanksgiving table grace;
And boys and girls will laugh with glee
When the jack-o'-lantern's face they see.
The orchard, too, with its ripe red fruit,
Will many a dainty palate suit.
The cornfield then its crop will yield,
And while gazing over the ripening field,
With thankful hearts we rise and say,
"Surely God is good alway."

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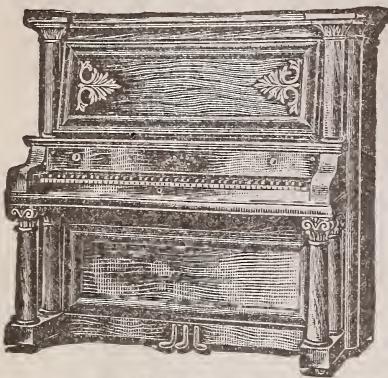
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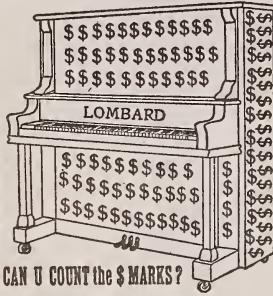
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"The wholesale and wilful destruction of animal life is a sure precursor of a desolate country. "A land without game, without birds—barren of wild life—such will be this vast United States fifty years hence. The do-as-I-please spirit of the average American, the long open seasons, voracious markets and automatic guns are doing their deadly work and bequeathing to our grandchildren the curse of our carelessness.

"We now have only a few buffalo where we had millions; the native egret has disappeared; the sage grouse is fast vanishing; the wood duck is nearing annihilation; the passenger pigeon is gone; the trumpeter swan will soon be gone; the Carolina parrot is about extinct, and so it goes.

"And this ceaseless slaughter of unoffending creatures of beauty, continues that men may satisfy their sport, that epicures may load their tables with tid-bits and vain women their hats with plumage. Let the fathers and mothers who toil to leave their children a heritage of wealth pause before leaving them also a heritage of songless days and nights and silent woods."

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Chas. E. Cougill.

Clay Lick, O., Oct. 20, 1911.

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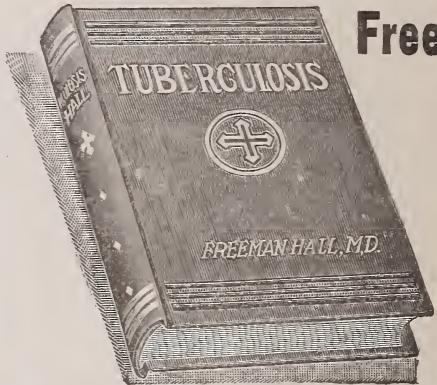
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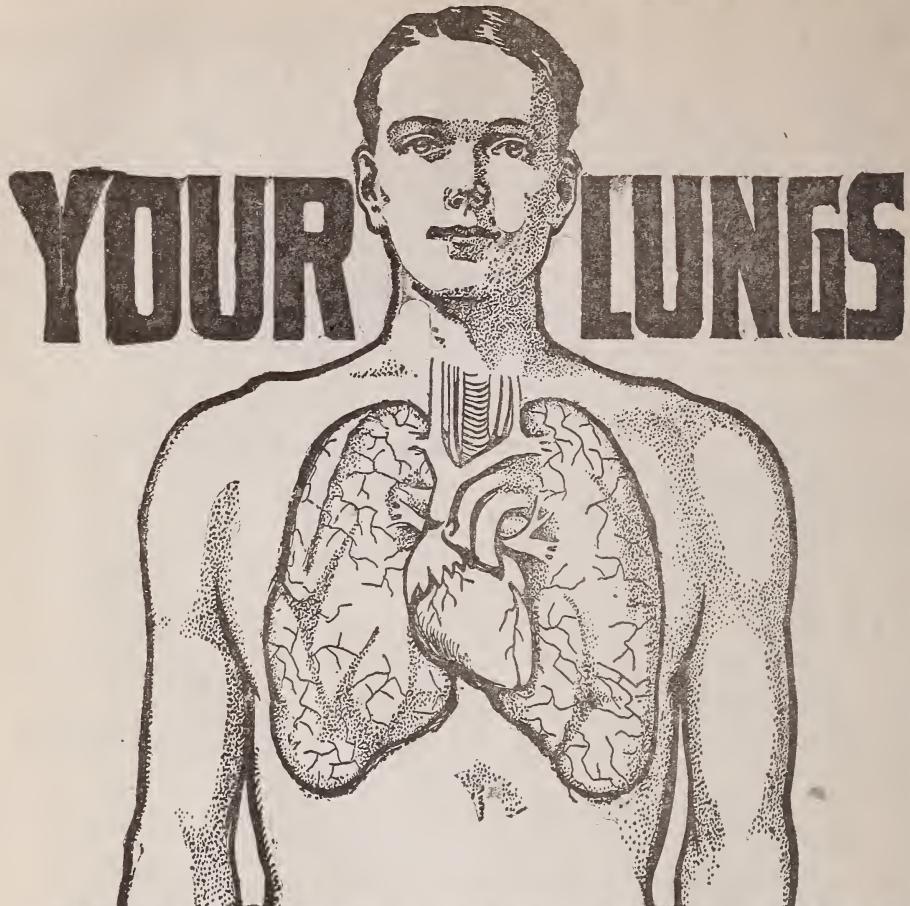
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